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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD, EAGR

SUBJECT: SUGAR: DISCUSSION WITH GEPLACEA EXECUTIVE SECRE-
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REF: STATE 188192

1. EMBASSY OFFICER MET RECENTLY WITH JORGE BRIOSO DOMINGUEZ, CUBAN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF GEPLACEA, TO DISCUSS UPCOMING GEPLACEA MEETING IN JAMAICA AND SUBSEQUENT ISA NEGOTIATIONS IN GENEVA. BRIOSO IS GENERALLY OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR REACHING SUCCESSFUL ISA. HE FEELS THAT WHILE SOME DISAGREEMENTS REMAIN FROM LONDON PRELIMINARY TALKS, PRINCIPAL PARTIES ARE CLOSE ENOUGH TOGETHER ON MOST IMPORTANT POINTS TO SUCCESSFULLY NEGOTIATE DIFFERENCES. HE AGREES WITH REFTEL POINT THAT LARGEST POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION, INCLUDING OPEC AND G-77 IMPORTERS, IS IMPORTANT AND PROMISES TO WORK TOWARD THAT GOAL.

2. REGARDING LOCAL MEXICAN SCENE, BRIOSO BELIEVES MEXICO
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WILL HAVE TO IMPORT SUGAR THIS YEAR, PROBABLY FROM CUBA. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT JOINT VENTURES BETWEEN MEXICAN AND CUBAN SUGAR INDUSTRIES WHICH WERE WIDELY DISCUSSED DURING PREVIOUS MEXICAN ADMINISTRATION, BUT WHICH SEEMED TO HAVE BEEN ABANDONED IN THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION, MIGHT BE RECONSIDERED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

3. BRIOSO EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT IT WOULD BE IN CUBA'S LONG-TERM INTEREST TO EVENTUALLY REENTER THE U.S. SUGAR MARKET. HE WOULD NOT ADVOCATE GIVING UP ANY OF THE PREFERENTIAL SOVIET BLOC MARKET, BUT HE BELIEVES THAT A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF CUBA'S FREE MARKET EXPORTS SHOULD LOGICALLY GO TO THE U.S. MARKET. THOMPSON

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